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TO: FROM C.L. JOHNSON

COPIES TO: J. CUNNINGHAM,

SUBJECT: ITEMS PENDING FIRM APPROVAL ON THE U-2 PROGRAM

1. LIFTING DEVICE FOR CARRIER LOADING

A. CURRENTLY BEING DESIGNED AND FABRICATED.

B. CHARGING COST TO CUST. NO. 1 DESIGN & PROJECT SUPPORT

(CONTRACT SP-1923)

C. UNDERSTAND THAT TWX IS ON THE WAY FROM JIM C. AUTHORIZING

FOR THE JOB.

2. CARRIER MOD.

A. CURRENTLY PROCEEDING ON DESIGN ONLY PER ADVANCE VERBAL APPROVAL.

B. CHARGING COST TEMPORARILY TO SEPARATE EWA, CUST. NO. 1 (SP-1923) PENDING CLARIFICATION OF WHICH CONTRACT WILL APPLY.

C. UNDERSTAND THAT TWX ON WAY AUTHORIZING FOR ADVANCE DESIGN WORK.

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3. J-75 CONVERSION & IRAN - 2 AIRCRAFT FOR HQS.

(POSSIBLY IN CONJUNCTION WITH CARRIER MOD)

A. NO COSTS INCURRED TO DATE.

B. NEED TO START ORDERING MATERIAL FOR AIRPLANE DUE IN

ON 1 JULY 1963.

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C. PRESUME THIS WOULD BE AUTHORIZED UNDER CONTRACT SP-1925
OR SIMILAR CONTRACT.

D. NEED SOME WRITTEN APPROVAL ASSURING FUNDING TO APPROX.

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FOR TOTAL JOB.

E. CORRESPONDENCE TO DATE ON THIS JOB:

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(1) 29 MAY 7969 TO

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REQUESTS SERIAL NUMBERS AND DATES ON 2 AIRCRAFT SO

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THAT INPUT TO FOR J-75 MOD CAN BE SCHEDULED.

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(2) 18 JUNE 7081 TO

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REQUESTS SERIAL NUMBERS AND ADVANCE AUTHORIZATION

FOR 2 SETS OF PARTS. ADVISES THAT WE HAVE ONE SET OF PARTS ON HAND.

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(3) 21 JUNE 3994 TO

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ADVISES 362 DUE IN ON 1 JULY AND 348 DUE IN ON 9
SEPTEMBER BUT MAKES NO MENTION OF APPROVAL ON JOB OR PARTS.

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F. ONLY A BUDGETARY QUOTE OF EACH HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.

4. FOG IRAN - CYCLE III

A. NO COSTS INCURRED TO DATE. FIRST AIRPLANE SCHEDULED
INPUT 8 JULY.

B. WE ASSUME REPEAT ASSUME THIS WORK IS AUTHORIZED BUT
COST IS UP CONSIDERABLY FROM PREVIOUS IRAN PROGRAMS AND WE HAVE

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NO SPECIFIC WRITTEN GO AHEAD OR ASSURANCE THAT FUNDING WILL BE ADEQUATE TO SUPPORT THIS WORK.

C. NEED TO START ORDERING MATERIAL FOR ONE HALF THE AIRPLANES ASAP:

5. UPDATE COCKPIT - NEW INSTRUMENT PANELS

A. HAS BEEN PROPOSED AS PART OF CYCLE III IRAN. HOWEVER, THIS IS A MAJOR IMPROVEMENT ITEM AND WE HAVE NO SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED.

B. MUST START DETAILED DESIGN SOON TO BE ABLE TO INSTALL IN IRAN AIRPLANES THIS FALL.

C. HAVE NOT SUBMITTED AS ECP, ONLY AS PART OF OVERALL IRAN ESTIMATE.

6. NEW AUTO-PILOT AND/OR NAV. SYSTEM

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A. BUDGETARY COST FIGURES HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED TO [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

B. WE HAVE EXPENDED SOME PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING ON THESE SYSTEMS AND NEW INSTRUMENT PANELS.

C. WE ARE PREPARING ECP FOR DESIGN, PROTOTYPE AND FLIGHT TESTING. ECP SHOULD BE READY FOR SUBMITTAL THIS WEEK.

END OF MESSAGE

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